

St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds December 2, 2018 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist



## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you will find a place at our table at St. Hilda's Anglican Church. Come as you are. There are many ways and there is no one particular way to be a part of this vibrant community. Join us today with an open mind, and be prepared to discover a home for your spirit that is inclusive, incarnational, and joyful.

WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY		
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev Clarence Li Presider: The Rev Tellison Glover Musicians: Katherine Hume & St. Hilda's Choir Greeter/Usher: Doug & Veronica Shillitto Prayers: Kevin Rolston Reader: Linda Smith	Lay Administrator: Linda Smith Sacristan: Janet McIntosh Crucifer: Kevin Rolston Coffee: Bob & Carol Maxfield Altar Guild: Barbara Carver, Linda Kern	

# Rector's Advent Greeting

Welcome to Advent, a season of quiet waiting. With the recent completion of the 16-month long restoration project, it may feel like that our waiting is finally over. I invite you this Advent to join me and each other in a different way of waiting: to wait for the conception of God's promise in us and through us, to let this promise grow within us amidst our doubts and anxiety until joy and a renewed solidarity is birthed. Archbishop Melissa in her recent message to the clergy invited us to simply stay with the contrast of this season:

I love Advent because during this time we get to experience the contrast between the busy winter festival abroad in our culture and the quiet meditative waiting that is the church's season of Advent...**let the contrasts be what it is**....Make sure you find time this year to embrace the quiet waiting in the hopeful anticipation of the coming one whose presence is balm and whose flesh turns out to be our own.

Let our worship and meditation these coming four weeks be the container to let the contrasts of our life and our times be what it is. Worship Committee is excited to introduce a new Eucharistic Liturgy of the Islands and the Inlets developed by our sister Diocese of British Columbia. I encourage you to engage with the daily Advent meditation resource, *Living in the Edge*, by Adele Finney. It is not too late to sign up to receive your daily meditation through email or download a paper copy. Also join us on Friday for the Advent Film series.

May you have an unhurried joyful and generous season.

Clarence

#### WHO WE ARE

St. Hilda, situated on the unceded ancestral lands of the shishálh First Nation, is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada & the worldwide Anglican Communion. As a community, we welcome & celebrate human diversity - including spirituality, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and abilities. We aim to create a space where people of any faith or none can question & discover the sacred in life through openness, struggle, laughter and prayer, lived out through a common commitment to be in solidarity with the poor & marginalized, and to cherish creation.

## CHILDREN

During the school year, children are invited to gather for a Children's Commissioning at the beginning of the service and then head out to Sunday School. They return in time for Communion—the Lord's supper (grape juice is available for communing).

#### HOLY COMMUNION

ALL are welcome to come forward and receive communion, the divine life of Jesus which comes to us in gifts of bread and wine. Come as you are. Instructions for newcomers joining this meal for the first time are printed in the bulletin.

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Parking for people with disabilities is available next to the Meditation Labyrinth. You are welcome to bring your walker or wheelchair into the hall. There are also large print bulletins available in the entry.

# ✤ The Gathering of Community ✤

## Prelude

#### Introduction & Welcome

All rise as able as Sanctuary party processes in.

**94** Introit sung until all have processed in ...... Wait for the Lord

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

Leader Advent is a time to hope for peace between people, and to walk in the light God gives us. The Advent wreath is round to remind us of God's never-ending love. The branches are green to remind us of new life. The candles reminds us of the light which came into the world with Jesus: light to brighten all of earth's dark places; light that grows stronger when we join in his work of building and rebuilding lives. Today we light a candle for hope.

PEOPLE God, our hope and our desire we wait for your coming as a woman longs for the birth, the exile for her home, the lover for the touch of her beloved and the humble poor for justice.

## **91 Opening Hymn** ...... People Look East! The Time is Near

## Greeting

Celebrant	The night has now passed and the day lies open before us.
People	Let us greet the beginning of a new week in Christ
	and acknowledge, with thanksgiving, the circle of life.

Facing East (towards the rising sun)

Celebrant O risen Christ

**PEOPLE** The image of the invisible God, firstborn of all creation, in whom all things hold together, We welcome the radiance of your holy Presence.

## Facing South

Celebrant	O risen	Christ

- **PEOPLE** In whom we live and move and have our being
  - We affirm the wonder of creation
  - and a world of humbling needs.
  - We welcome your Word
    - to reveal paths of faith, hope and love.

#### Facing West

Celebrant O risen Christ

**PEOPLE** Through whom the deep mystery of God is revealed and made known We welcome the fresh winds of your Spirit to awaken us to your summons.

#### Facing North

Celebrant	O risen	Christ
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PEOPLEWe stand as a people of the north<br/>and of these western isles.<br/>We commit ourselves once again to you,<br/>and call out our praise to you, our Creator and Sustainer.

## Facing the Cross

Celebrant Let the earth rejoice. Let the multitude of the isles be glad.

PEOPLE Let the earth sing out its praise. Rejoice together. Again, I say rejoice.

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant May God be with you.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Urgent God

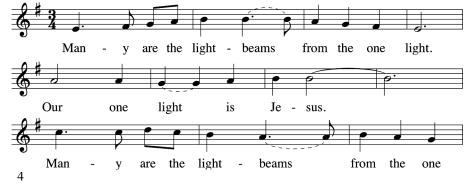
ALL breaking through the static to speak to our hearts: disarm our love of control and shake the silent heavens to reveal your dawning glory, judging all in the light of love;

through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. Amen.

All are seated

## **Children's Time**

*Children are invited to gather in the front before leaving for Sunday School. As they head out for Sunday School, we sing Many are the Light Beams:* 





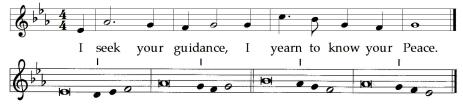
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After each reading, there will be a short time of quiet meditation

**The First Reading:** Jeremiah 33:14-16.....Linda Smith Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9 All sing together



To You, O Love, I lift <sup>1</sup>up my soul!

O Heart within my heart, in You I <sup>1</sup>place my trust.

Let me not <sup>1</sup>feel un-<u>worthy</u>;

let not fear rule <sup>1</sup>over me.

Yes! May all who open their hearts savor You and <sup>1</sup>bless the earth!

Compel me to know your <sup>1</sup>ways, O Love;

instruct me u-<sup>1</sup>pon your paths.

Lead me in your <sup>1</sup>truth, and <u>teach me</u>,

for through You will <sup>1</sup>I know wholeness;

I shall reflect your Light both <sup>1</sup>day and night.

I know of your mercy, <sup>1</sup>Blessed One,

and of your unconditional Love;

You have been with me from <sup>1</sup>the be-<u>ginning</u>.

## Refrain

Forgive the many times I have walked a-<sup>1</sup>way from You choosing to follow <sup>1</sup>my own will.

I seek your guidance, <sup>1</sup>once again,

I yearn to <sup>1</sup>know your Peace.

Companion me as I open <sup>1</sup>to your Will!

You are gracious and just, O <sup>1</sup><u>Spirit</u> of Truth,

happy to guide those who <sup>1</sup>miss their way;

You enjoy teaching all who are open, all who choose to <sup>1</sup>live in truth.

2<sup>nd</sup> Your paths are loving and sure, O <sup>1</sup>Holy One,

and those who give witness to You through their lives are blessed <sup>1</sup>beyond <u>measure</u>. *Refrain* 

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 ..... Linda Smith

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.

**402 Gradual Hymn** ......Confitemini domino (3X Latin-Eng-Latin) All remain standing as able

The Gospel Luke 21:25-36

Celebrant May God be with you.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **PEOPLE Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

After reading

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

**PEOPLE** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**402 Gradual Hymn** ......Confitemini domino (3X Latin-Eng-Latin) *All are seated.* 

Affirmation of Faith Wisdom Tradition

I believe in one God, a divine mystery beyond all definition and rational understanding. the heart of all that has ever existed, that exists now, or that ever will exist.

I believe in Jesus, messenger of God's Word, bringer of God's healing, heart of God's compassion, bright star in the firmament of God's prophets, mystics, and saints.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the life of God that is our innermost life, the breath of God moving in our being, the depth of God living in each of us.

I believe that I am called to be Jesus' twin, allowing myself to be a vehicle of God's love, a source of God's wisdom and truth, and an instrument of God's peace in the world.

I believe that in death, life is changed, not taken away,

## and that we will go from step to step in God's life, God's love, and God's glory for all eternity. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

Please stand, sit or kneel according to your praying custom. Names upheld in the prayers can be found on the Parish Prayer List on page 15. You are also welcome to name your loved one(s) aloud or silently in your heart.

## **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant	Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city,
	On our city: Lord, have mercy.

**PEOPLE** Lord have mercy.

- Celebrant Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division, jealousy and bitterness. On us: Christ, have mercy.
- **PEOPLE** Christ have mercy.
- Celebrant Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner. Grant us peace: Lord, have mercy.

## **PEOPLE** Lord have mercy.

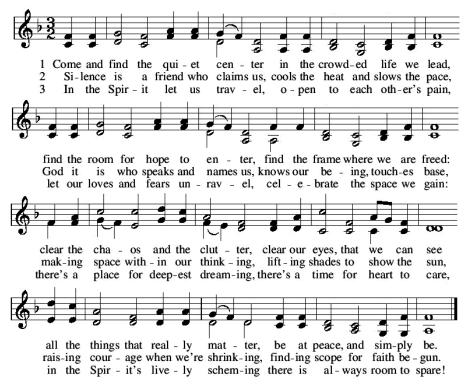
- Celebrant Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the oy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
  - ALL Amen

**The Peace** Please rise as able as we share the peace of the Lord.CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be with you all.**PEOPLEAnd also with you.** 

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## The Offertory

During the hymn, the bread and wine are presented alongside with the offering of money for mission and ministry, given on the plate or through the Pre-Authorized Donation Program (PAD), to symbolize the offering of ourselves and of the whole creation to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings we experience. Ndandani Knapsacks will be collected separately following the offering plates.



## Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of Love and power,

**PEOPLE** your words stirs within us

the expectation of the coming of your Son.

Accept all we offer you this day,

and sustain us with your promise of eternal life.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Eucharistic Prayer - Prayer of the West Coast**

Eucharist means "thanksgiving." This is a ritual meal to re-enact the Last Supper that Jesus shared with his friends to remind them of his sacrificial love for humanity and the whole creation. All stand as able.

Celebrant	God is here.
PEOPLE	The Spirit is with us.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts and minds.
PEOPLE	We lift them to God.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to God the Creator.
PEOPLE	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant	Holy and eternal One, in whom we live and move and have our being
	you humble us and affirm the sacred gift of all creation,

calling us to care for everything given and received. **PEOPLE** Glory to you, source of all life!

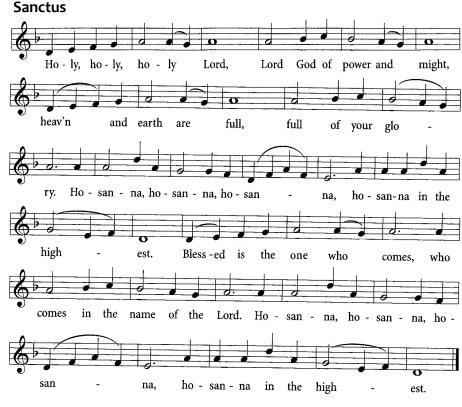
Celebrant From the earliest days the peoples of this coast learned their dependence on your provision.....

....you humble us and affirm the sacred gift of all creation, calling us to care for everything given and received.

## **PEOPLE** Glory to you, source of all life!

Celebrant In Jesus Christ, you cam into our world to reveal your glory.....

....we raise our thankful voices with the saints of every time and place in songs of unending praise singing:



Celebrant Blessed are you, most holy One....

...This is my blood...do this in remembrance of me. **PEOPLE "Behold, I am with you to the end of the age."** 

Celebrant Therefore, God of all creation,....

...and follow him in lives.

**PEOPLE** Glory to you, source of all life!

Celebrant In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ,...

... One God, now and forever.

ALL Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

ALL Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

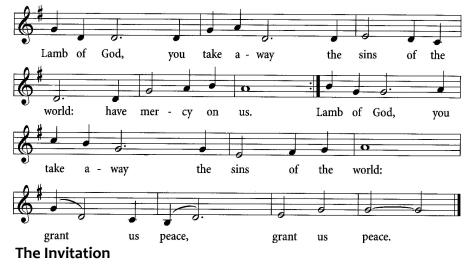
now and for ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**PEOPLE** So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

## Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



#### **Receiving Communion**

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to

share in the breaking of bread. If you desire to know the love of God that overcomes indifference and despair, if you desire the reconciliation that overcomes estrangement and alienation, then you are invited to share the cup of the new covenant.

The bread is received in the open palm. It is usual Anglican practice to drink the wine from the common cup. Wine and unfermented grape juice are served. If you would prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer or grape juice, please inform the person administering the bread or wine when they approach you. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you are welcome to come forward and place your hands across your chest.



#### **Prayer After Communion**

Celebrant God for whom we wait,

ALL you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.

Keep us ever watchful,

that we may be ready to stand before the Beloved One. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

## Family Thanksgiving & Announcements

*All are invited to share any birthdays, anniversaries or other celebrations.* **Presentation of Parish Development Grant** 

#### Welcoming St. Nicholas

Our parish tradition is to say the following prayer by sharing eye-contact with those around us. All stand as able.

Celebrant Glory to God,

PEOPLE Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Blessing

Celebrant May the God who brings heaven close to earth give truth to our judgement and flame to our longing that our hearts might be ready to be born again in love; and the blessing of God, Source of all life, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL Amen.

**632 Recessional Hymn** ...... The King of Glory Comes

Dismissal ALL Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

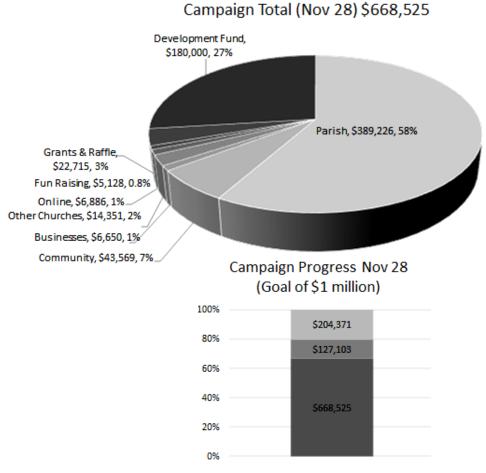
#### Postlude

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Financial Update Summary, October 31, 2018				
Operating Fund	October	Year to Date	Budget YTD	YTD 2017
Total Receipts	\$11,657	\$155,618	\$187,325	\$172,085
Total Expenditures	\$17,602	\$178,709	\$191,030	\$177,438
Surplus/Loss in Period	-\$5,944	-\$23,091	-\$3,705	-\$5,353

## From the Treasurer and Wardens:

Note that our operating fund is currently \$23,000 behind in revenue to cover expenses (payroll, hydro, etc.). There is a considerable drop in donations (as compared to the same period in 2017), possibly due to extra pressure in supporting the Restoration Capital Campaign. Please prayerfully consider how we may support our operating fund so that we may end this extraordinary year with a balance budget



Raised Outstanding Pledges Yet to be raised

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## **Parish Events and Notices**

**ADVENT 2018 Devotion Resource:** This Advent, Archbishop Melissa invites Anglicans across the diocese to deepen your journey through the season with a new resource designed for contemplation and conversation. *Living in the Edge* is a series of daily reflections. The weekday Advent meditations are also emailbased and offer nourishment for daily individual reflection at home. Created by Adele Finney, recently retired Executive Director of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF), this resource explores the edges of life through images of edge habitat, labour and birth, and the places where we encounter our neighbour. For Finney, important "edge" places of learning have been in the theatre as actor and playwright, in the intentional Christian community *Friends of Jesus* in downtown Toronto, and in spiritual direction.

To sign up for the daily email in Advent, or to download the booklet now, visit this website: http://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/diocesan-resources/2018-advent-resource For parishioners who would prefer a printed copy, please sign up for a copy in the Narthex.

Advent Film: Friday December 7 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary Rivers and Tides

<u>Christmas Hampers Project</u>: Do you know a family who would appreciate a Christmas Hamper this season? This year we plan to prepare hampers for up to 4 families. Priority will be given to families who miss signing up for the Elves Club program and those who did not receive a hamper from St. Hilda's last year. Please pass on their contact information to Meg Stevens by December 2. We are also seeking donations towards the project and volunteers to help with distribution.

Ndandini 9th Annual Scholarship Campaign: Through our local Rotary partnership, St. Hilda's has formed a significant ongoing relationship with students and families in Ndandini, Kenya, by providing scholarships towards high school fees. In addition to the Knapsack campaign underway, you may make a personal donation via your offering envelope, or give a 'gift of education' donation as a Christmas gift to your family and friends. Please mark your envelope donation 'Ndandini'. For those donating as a Christmas gift, Ndandini Scholarship Christmas Gift Cards are available in the narthex to let your recipient know about the gift you have given on their behalf. May you be blessed in your support of our Ndandini friends. Learn more about the scholarship fund at www.ndandinischolarshipfund.blogspot.com .

<u>Christmas Dinner is Coming Soon</u>! Our traditional Christmas Turkey Dinner is next Sunday December 9. Please sign-up as space is limited (max. 75 people). On the sheet indicate your attendance and what you will bring. We are asking all attending to bring their own cutlery and plates and a bag to take them home dirty. We are trying to minimize those in the kitchen!

Affordable Housing Purchase Opportunity: The District of Sechelt is receiving application for the purchase of 2 units of 2-storey, 3-bedroom, duplex style, home in West Sechelt for \$200,000 each under their Affordable Housing Program. Please refer to poster in the notice board for details on how to apply and deadline for application. <u>St. Hilda's Choir</u>: We invite new singers to join us for the Advent and Christmas season starting next week. We will be hosting the Carol Sing a-long on Saturday December 15 at 2:00 pm

#### siyaya Reconcilation Movement:

Film Screening & Discussion First Contact Miniseries at the Sechelt Library: Last Episode: Monday December 3, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

This is a 50 minute episode, followed by an hour long dialogue circle for viewers to share their reflections with one another. To RSVP email scsyiyaya@gmail.com or respond on Facebook Can also be viewed on APTN TV website.

**Truth and Reconciliation Book Study:** Next meeting is December 6 at 2:00 pm in the Gathering Rm. We are using the second book in the 3-part series developed by the Mennonite Church Canada, *Yours, Mine, Ours: Unravelling the Doctrine of Discovery*, cost \$10. Newcomers still welcome, please contact John Denham at 604-885-7373.

**<u>St. Hilda Cookbook Correction</u>:** For *Honey Fruit Bars* on p. 107, 2 Tbsps of flour should be 2 <u>Cups</u> of flour.

#### Readings for December 9, First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading:Baruch 5:1-9Reader: Annie Webb2nd Reading:Philippians 1:3-11Reader: Annie WebbPsalm:Luke 1:68-79Gospel:Luke 3:1-6

	Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's			
Sun	02	0.0 0 0000	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School	Sanctuary Sanctuary
Tues	04	2:15 pm	Communion Service	Shorncliffe
Wed	05	0.00 00000	Wisdom Circle Meditation Prayer Shawl Ministry	Sanctuary McElroy home
Thurs	06	1	Reconciliation Study Group St. Hilda's Choir	Gathering Rm Sanctuary
Fri	07	7:00 pm	Advent Film: Rivers & Tides	Sanctuary
Sun	09	10:00 am	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Christmas Dinner	Sanctuary Sanctuary Parish Hall

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	Parish Prayer for the Week	
Anglican Communnion	The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain (E-P to the Arch- bishop of Canterbury) The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain - (Spain) The Rt Revd Carlos López-Lozano	
Diocese & Partners	Holy Trinity Mission in Bantey (twinned with St. Hilda's) Companion Diocese: Bishop Brent Alawas, & the Clergy & People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines BC Synod of the ELCIC, Bishop Gregory Mohr	
Local Agencies	Elves Club	
Parish Ministries	Prayer Shawl Ministry	
Justice Umbrella	Kenya: Students of Kyaithani /Lower Yatta SecondarySchools	
Prayer Requests	<ul> <li>Meiling Alps &amp; Family: comfort during palliative care</li> <li>Marlene Carr &amp; family: grieving loss of teenage daughter, Paige</li> <li>Mary Gordon: strength during rehab treatment for stroke</li> <li>Luka: healing &amp; strength for recovery from infection</li> <li>Marion: comfort during palliative care</li> <li>Monty McLean: grace for dying in peace</li> <li>Claire Nelson: upcoming surgery and healing</li> <li>Debra Ruebens: Healing form heart attack</li> <li>Barbara Struthers: (wife of Archdeacon John Struthers) healing from stroke &amp; infection</li> </ul>	
Ongoing Need	Connie, Rev. Gordon Dominey, Wayne Greggain, Bob & Jane Hammersma, Jenny, Claire Nelson, Robert, Jeannette Shouls, Chris Sooley	

16 Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.